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'Dry' Decision By Trustees Bars Student Drinking; Wine Merchants' Mob Marches on McEwen Manse

Mob violence, which has endangered the stability of colleges and universities throughout the country during the recent weeks, erupted yesterday afternoon at Hamilton, when over 100 representatives of The Union for the Protection of Wine Growers and Pressers, Utica Division, marched on the College Hill residence of President Robert Ward McEwen. The marchers were protesting Dr. McEwen's recent decree prohibiting the consumption on campus of all alcoholic beverages save his home-made wine.

Chanting "Hey, ho ho; Robert Ward must go," and flinging bunches of rotten grapes at the President's white frame house, the rioters demonstrated throughout the afternoon until they were dispersed by a group of Dekes and Lambda Chis who were summoned to the President's rescue.

Barricaded in his home, and defended by Mrs. McEwen, who kept the rioters at a distance by pouring boiling Pinod Noire on them from the window of the third-story billiard room of the Presidential residence, Dr. McEwen issued a telephone statement standing by his decision and decrying the violence which the decree had provoked.

This statement was answered immediately by Mr. Vino Tavola of East Utica, the leader of the demonstrators, who termed the President's action arbitrary, unfair, and contrary to the interests both of the wine industry and, in its implications, of the American economy as a whole. He also questioned the quality of Dr. McEwen's wine, and stated that he was considering requesting the Pure Food and Drug Commission to examine the soles of the President's stompers for purity and structure, to determine if they meet with the Commission's standards.

When questioned in his home after the riot, Dr. McEwen, who was sipping a home-made Myrtle cordial (a luxury prohibited to the students), refused to comment on Mr. Tavola's allegations. He reiterated his shock and disappointment at the fact that violence had been permitted to enter into the controversy over his action and expressed his fervent hope that peace could be brought to the situation. In response to further questions, he ridiculed the possibility that Mr. Tavola's movement might have positive results and admitted the possibility that he might be forced to go into commercial competition in the local wine trade if the Union insisted upon pressing its case.

Student Speaker Resigns as June Graduation Orator

Connor Regarded As Security Risk

There will be no student commencement speaker this June. Walter Robert Connor, '56, the senior previously chosen to speak has resigned.

No reasons were given for the resignation by either the Administration or Connor. Informed sources speculated as to the motives behind this surprise move. A number of conflicting theories have been developed.

One suggestion has it that Senator Irving Ives, a member of the Board of Trustees, objected to Connor on the grounds that he was a security risk and that the College couldn't have "that Red speaking at the commencement of my alma mater." It is said that Connor once belonged to the Americans for Democratic Action and Citizens of the World for Pogo.

Another explanation was that Connor had flunked out last semester and been expelled from Phi Beta Kappa. The school, however, could not allow him to leave for "reasons of prestige;" but at the same time it could not allow a student who had failed to meet the graduation requirements to give the major address at commencement. Although Connor has made a good record in the academic subjects, it is known

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Smith Announces, Carnival to Go On Despite Conditions

Letzelter's Crew To Remove Bars

"Despite the startling developments, Winter Carnival will go on," stated a stunned John Smith, '56, Hill social chairman this afternoon.

The Carnival which begins tonight as the Continentals meet Harpur in a basketball game at 8, will feature an all-college dance with Leroy Holmes' orchestra and a jazz concert by Eli's Chosen Six directly after the basketball game this evening from 10 to 2.

Admission is free to all college-wide functions for all holders of social tickets and their dates. The Social Committee, noting the significance of this last "wet" weekend in Hill history, has arranged to sell tickets for Winter Carnival to guests and alumni for $5. These may be obtained from Bruce Bartlett at the Sig house.

Students may still purchase social tickets for the rest of the year for $8.50.

Saturday at 10 a.m. at the junction of routes 12B and 20, the student-faculty ski meet will take place. At the same time candidates from each house will be judged in the Winter Carnival queen contest. Professors Johnston, Piano and Brachfeld will officiate at this function which Smith described as "not public."

Hockey will be the attraction at 3:30 Saturday as Hamilton

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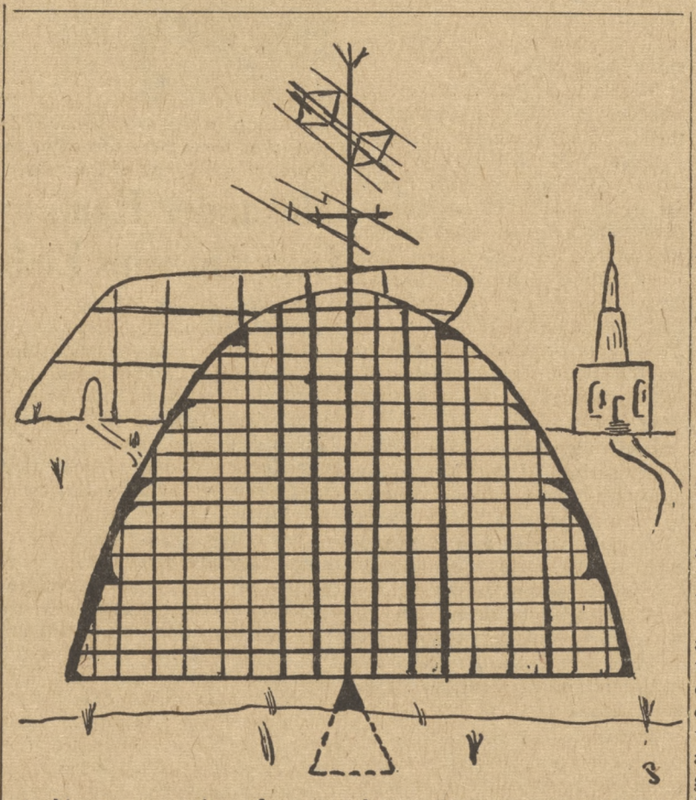

Architects conception of proposed new dorm to meet minimal standards for new mechanized Hamilton.

'Sandy's Harlequin' to Have New Look; To Sport TV, Food Pills, and Sonar

The above architect's drawing of the new College dormitory has been specially prepared for this issue of the *Spectator,* so that those weekend visitors on the Hill who will not have a chance to inspect the working model now on display in the president's office will be able to leave Hamilton with an idea of what this campus will look like in four years.

The dorm is to be constructed entirely from transparent plastic, so that future visitors on the Hill will be able to see at a glance that Hamilton's reputation of having an industrious student body is well-founded. Inside the circular outer shell, there will be fifteen floors, divided into 50, six by six foot square rooms. Naturally, such economy of space means that the entire student body will be housed under the same dome, (already fondly termed by the students as "Sandy's Harlequin") which of course, means that future students on the Hill will be able to save money because they will not be burdened with any fraternity bills, and yet they will have excellent living quarters.

In each room, there will be a desk,a bed, a set of drawers, and the latest in television sets so that the president of the college will be able to tune into any room, at any time, and observe any student, without either of them having the inconvience of moving. The television will also be hooked with an extension in the athletic department, so that Mr. Eliot will be able to give everyone his daily instruction in the art of physical exercise.

Perhaps the most economical part of the new dorm will be the fact that there will be no kitchen, since by 1960, which is the expected completion date of the building, it is expected that everyone will be subsisting on the newly developed food pills.

Along with the most modern of lighting (sonar) and heating (also sonar) "Sandy's Harlequin" will be equipped with the recently patented ejector-elevator system. This system consists of a single tube running from each room to the main entrance. At the base of each tube is a firing mechanism which will literally shoot anyone who steps into the elevator directly to his destination. This remarkable engineering feat is perhaps best lauded by what a typical Hamilton student, a member of the class of 1960, had to say about the revolutionary effects it would have on his life. We quote Sammy Schmultz: "Geez, ain't it great already? Now I'll be shot from guns right to my room, and I won't be tempted to talk fer tree or four hours every night wit mine buddies. Maybe now I'll even graduate from this university with all the extra study time I'll have yet."

The new structure will also be built with an electric eye and magnet in the front, and only door, to make sure that the students do not unwittingly carry any sharp objects indoors — objects which might inadvertently be used to scratch college property. In fact, even the wine brought into the dorm will have to be carried in the usual leather drums provided by the President's factory.

Outside the building, a careful observer will notice that the entire structure is supported by a single, triangular buttrick, balanced solidly on the vertex. The ingenius architect who devised

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Local WCTU Wins Long Struggle; Mrs. Teetotaller Faces Future Firmly

Noted Clinton Prohibitionist Mrs. Augusta Teetotaller shown posing for photographers at recent WCTU luncheon meeting.

Mrs. Augusta Teetotaller, president of Top of the Hill WCTU, said today her organization 'must recognize soberly the import of the recent ban on alcoholic beverages at Hamilton College and not allow high spirits to blind us on the stony path of effective enforcement."

The message was delivered at a special meeting of the local prohibition organization at the Park Hotel. A goodly number of prohibitionists attended the meeting.

Mrs. Teetotaller called for volunteers to man sentry posts surrounding college property and aid in the establishment of roadblocks. She stated that she would lead a "mopup campaign at the college."

When asked what she felt

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Host of Speakers To Entertain Hill In Coming Week

A busy week of speakers will attempt to divert student attention from the new social edict next week. Sunday evening Dr. John Krumm, chaplain of Columbia University will deliver the sermon at Chapel.

The Chapel will also be the scene of a concert by Hamilton organist John Baldwin Wednesday at 8 p.m. Prof. Baldwin will present the same concert which he will offer in Riverside Church, New York City, a week from Sunday.

U.S. Foreign Policy will be the subject of Rufus Smith's lecture at 5 p.m. Wednesday. Mr. Smith is a member of the Department of State.

Monday night the IRC will have as speaker Andre Nemo, a member of the French Embassy. The public is invited to the meeting in the ELS house at 8.

An Alumni Vocational Conference on medicine will be held Thursday in the Alpha Delta Phi Hall.

Winter Carnival Schedule

FRIDAY:

4:30 P.M. — Snow sculpture judging by Mrs. Wertimer, and Professors Cooke and Moraud.
8:00 P.M. — Basketball game — Harpur vs. Hamilton in the gym.
10:00 P.M. to 2:00 A.M. — Jazz concert — Eli's Chosen Six in the Hall of Commons. (Students are requested to bring blankets because there will be no chairs in Commons.)

SATURDAY:

10:00 A.M. — Faculty-student ski meet at corner of routes 12B and 20.
10:30 A.M. — Queen judging by Professors Brachfeld, Johnston, and Piano in the Baker Memorial Room.
3:30 P.M. — Hockey game — West Point vs. Hamilton in the Sage Building.
5:00 P.M. — House cocktail parties.
9:00 P.M.-1:00 A.M.—All college dance — Leroy Holmes orchestra in the gymnasium.

SUNDAY:

12:00 Noon — Sacrament of the Lord's Supper — Chapel.

President Robert W. McEwen announced yesterday the rules formulated by the IFC for the regulation of party behavior were unsatisfactory to the College Board of Trustees. A Trustees rule reading "Any student possessing, consuming, or distributing alcoholic beverages shall be separated from the college" was announced by McEwen. The rule also stated that "any fraternity allowing alcoholic beverages within its property will be subject to the suspension of social privileges."

The edict goes into effect Monday morning at 8:30 a.m. *This will be Hamilton's last wet Winter Carnival.*

"We feel that if the use of alcohol was proper most of our problems at social affairs would disappear," said McEwen in commenting on the Trustees decision. The ruling is "swift, simple and sure" according to McEwen. It will be enforced by 12 deputy sheriffs forming a campus vice squad. Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds Letzelter will head the vice squad, McEwen announced.

The Interfraternity Council at a special meeting held last night endorsed the Board of Trustees rule. Praising the rule as 'positive and helpful' the IFC remarked that "this ruling removes a great responsibility from the IFC. We are happy to lose responsibility and praise the simplicity of the Trustees action. The Interfraternity Council fully agrees with the anti-sin position of the administration and Trustees."

Nous Onze, honorary drinking society, expressed a similar view in a telegram sent to the Board of Trustees yesterday. "We agree that the misuse of alcohol consists in drinking it," Nous Onze stated. "We are in favor of stopping the pollution of Schweppes water with alcohol. However, we hope that the trustees ruling will not prohibit the production and distribution of President McEwan's delicious wines."

A telegram from Clark Minor, chairman of the Board of Trustees, allayed Nous Onze's fears. "Won't Stop Sandy's Wines stop Sandy's Whines are unstoppable stop" read the telegram.

Cleaning Ladies To Literally Clean House Hereafter

Skeleton Key Spies Deputized

Thousands cheered here today as Clinton Sheriff Neandarthal Marlowski swore in Hamilton's eight cleaning ladies as deputies. In line with the college administration's decision to prohibit all alcohol at Hamilton, the ladies were deputized to help enforce the recent regulation.

The president, unable to afford an outside speaker, chose one of the ladies to speak for her own ceremony. Miss Effie T. Libininous was chosen and her speech will be printed in full in the alumni review. She expressed great delight that "the girls are finally being hired to do what they have done on their own initiative for years." She added that she was sure that they would all be able to carry out their spying duties perfectly since they had had so much practice already.

Each of the girls was presented with what the administration has cleverly nicknamed a "Snooping Kit." This kit contains all the necessary equipment for prying open trunks and picking locks. Also included is an alcohol testing machine which the college has obtained on a trial basis. These machines are similar to those little gadgets which determine the amount of alcohol in your car radiator. The president expressed great hope that these machines will be as satisfactory as the manufacturer claims. "You can never tell about these Eastern boys," he remarked slyly, "they might try to sneak in some whiskey in soda pop bottles. Besides, we all know how hard hard cider can get." Many appreciative chuckles followed this remark. It was obvious to all that the president was having a jolly time with the whole thing.

Not wishing that the ceremony should end on such a light note, the president added that he was hopeful that the girls would realize the great opportunities which lay before them and would accept their challenge with confidence. "We have chosen you because of your strong temperance tendencies," he added seriously, "and I urge you all to study the work of your reknowned predecessor Carrie Nation to further inspire you."

At the end of the beautiful ceremony the president presented each of the girls with a sterling silver skeleton key. "Gee, they're beautiful," Miss Libininous was heard to remark. Skeleton keys will be quite useful for a while, but when the new dormitory is completed they will no longer be needed," the president added coyly. The entire audience joined with our eight new deputies to sing "Carissima" and as the girls proudly marched out there was hardly a dry eye in the auditorium.

BULLETIN!

Mrs. J. J. Nation, great granddaughter of Carry Nation, the famous bottle breaker of the "Gilded Age," has expressed "overwhelming joy" in a night letter to the Trustees of Hamilton College.

"In the never ending bottle battle against agonizing alcohol, I am sure I can say the place to nip the habit in the bud is among non-thinking collegians." It will be a source of constant satisfaction to me in years to come to think of you kind gentlemen as fighting side-by-side with grandma."

The Clinton police force has graciously consented to serve free coffee to houseparty transients both tonight and tomorrow night at the Clinton Post Office.

President McEwen raises special lush grapes in the fertile soil of his Oriskany Valley estate. These grapes are crushed by the sanitary feet of students and fermented in the cool cellar of McEwen's plantation. After long aging the wines are served as part of the traditional hospitality of the McEwen estate.

Commenting on the exception in the Board's decision, McEwen commented, "Wine belongs; enjoy it."

Among faculty members the reaction to the Trustees rule was generally favorable. Rev. Colin Miller termed the step 'positive.' The Faculty Committee on Student Affairs registered "wholehearted support of this far-sighted measure." Professor Rogers of the Biology department remarked, "At Stanford almost nobody drinks."

John VanAlstyne cited the rule of the faculty which prevailed when he was at Hamilton—"Intoxication, the bringing of liquor to or receiving it on college premises, and the possession or use of it there will be counted a serious offense against college discipline." "This is just a return to the good old days." remarked Van Alstyne.

Professor Channing B. Richardson said, "This rule is a significant precursor of a trend in student mores; i.e., the upshot of this ramification may be a considerable modification of the sociological conditions currently prevalent in this micrososm of the larger society."

Professor Robert B. Rudd was unavailable for comment.

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Onward and Upward . . .

At long last the millennium has been reached. Yesterday announcement from the sacrosanct domains of the Office of the President is a tribute to the moral fiber of College officials. Hamilton will finally be able to develop the prototype of the educated gentleman." The new Hamilton "product" might not have all the savoir-faire of Calvert's "man of distinction" but he still should be able to match cocktail conversation or rather vino-conversation with the best of them.

It was high time that the administration took matters into its own hands regarding drinking on campus. The action on the part of the Administration was swift and decisive—generally in keeping with traditional administrative action. There was no duplicity involved, and the only special interests which will benefit will be Hamilton students themselves who will now be able to sip generous draughts of the President's Oriskany Valley wine without any danger of impropriety.

The decision for prohibition of most alcoholic beverages is not an arbitrary one on the part of the administration. Officials from both the IFC and the Student Council as well as the Athletic Department and Nous Onze were consulted before the decision was made. All these organizations hailed the edict with their customary enthusiasm.

During recent years the immaturity of the student body regarding matters of alcoholic consumption has literally forced the administration to adopt the most stringent measures possible. Ill-advised drinking on the part of members of the student body should rightfully not be tolerated any longer. The administration has acted all too often as the tool of the student body in too many other matters concerning college life. The fact that the administration succumbed to the whims of certain influential members of the student body by appointing T. S. Eliot athletic director has resulted in no small loss of prestige on its part. The fact that the decision on prohibition was made by bypassing most of the students with the exception of the IFC, Nous Onze, and the Student Council is an indication that the administration is finally beginning to realize its rightful position as omniscient oracle of student life on the campus.

One certainly cannot quarrel with the moral implications of decision. The anti-sin position of the administration is completely unassailable as it should be. We again commend the administration for its judicious decision and hope that student response to Hamilton's new "Age of Enlightenment" will be fervent and sincere.

New Rules Stress Strength, Savor Through Delectable, Diluted Drinks

The administration yesterday published its dictum on College Drinking. It is practically a paraphrase of the statement made by the president three nights ago in the Chapel, during the student-administration discussion of the matter. Then the Hill's leading administrator stated flatly "There will be no drinking on the Hill, or within ten miles of the campus."

He went on to define "drinking" as, the consuming of beverages containing any foreign substance which might tend to render the mind of that person consuming beverage incapable of manipulating any intellectual situation with less than his usual efficiency." The president listed milk, most citrus fruit juices, wine, and water as "ok" liquids. "Wine," asserted the president, "has the advantage of soothing and relaxing the brain and rendering practically any personality acceptable to society." He qualified his emotions by saying, "I feel that making a man acceptable is an important factor in the lives of most Hamilton College undergraduates."

For some moments after the administration leveled its newest ruling, there was considerable resentment on the part of the students. As they began collecting menacingly in front of Buttrick Hall, one of the members of the administration made this statement to the press: "I sense that some members of the student body are not satisfied by the new ruling. However, they must realize that this is not a moral question, but rather, we, the administration, feel that there must be a rule on the books for appearances—and every rule, since they are made only for the good of the students, *must* be enforced." However, it is to the credit of the administration that they did show their leniency toward the student body, which in turn saved the school from, "a disgraceful mob scene blotting the record of the college." (Harry Nardooze, head janitor of Kirkland Cottage was overheard saying this.) The leniency of the administration came in the form of giving the members of Nous Onze the privilege of buying three beers a week at the Alexander Hamilton Inn. "Naturally, to protect the reputation of the college," said the Business Manager of the school, "the boys will have to agree to consume their alcohol in the men's room, where they will not be seen or heard, should they become rowdy. After all, we do not wish anyone to feel that the college is not doing its job by the parents."

A leader of Nous Onze was so overwhelmed with joy that he permitted his group to take him

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Professor Finds Brewing Booze Is Bad Business

'Moonshine Mattingly' Discovered

Professor John Mattingly was taken into custody late last night by agents of the Internal Revenue Bureau. He is accused of violating federal law by operating an illegal distillery for manufacturing alcoholic beverages.

The whole sordid story of the secret double life of John Mattingly became known today. To most college students and professors he was a respected and scholarly teacher of Latin and the classics. To sinister underworld figures he was the best illegal boozer in the business, with a trade-name of "Moonshine Mattingly.'

Mr. I. R. Drinkwater, special undercover agent in charge of the Internal Revenue Bureau's Whiskey, Wine and Women squad, told how he was tipped off by a sober, but anonymous, phone call. Agents sped to Mr. Mattingly's college home and after making their way through dusty copies of Aristophane's *The Clouds* and 199 copies of *Dance Out the Answer* scattered on the floor, they found concealed behind a closet a two-story still.

Brushing aside Mattingly's protests that "it was merely an apparatus for making nectar by secret formula," the agents inspected the still and dismantled it. As Mr. Drinkwater stated: "A year's output of this thing was enough to keep all of Greenwich Village supplied for at least a month. It made the mountaineers of Tennessee look like pikers."

Mattingly did not seem at all repentant upon his capture and reporters agreed that he appeared rather proud of his achievement. He chortled, while being led away; "The ancient Greeks did it and I'm just following along in the classical tradition."

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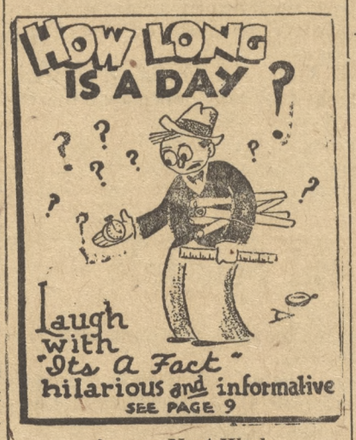

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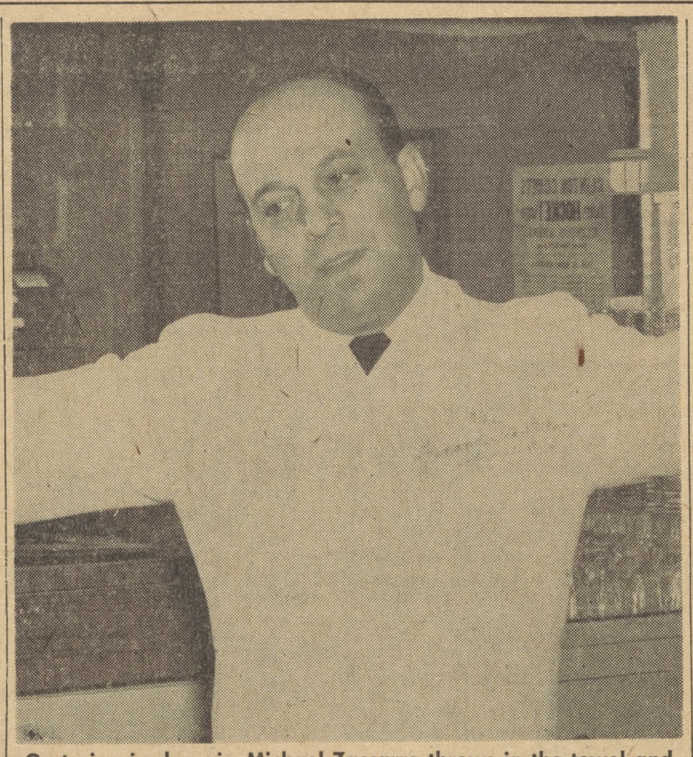

Gesturing in despair, Michael Zaccarro throws in the towel and prepares for a new life after the prohibition edict by the Hamilton College Board of Trustees.

Alexander Hamilton Inn In Quandry Over Onerous Embargo; Mike Resigns

The management of the Alexander Hamilton Inn announced today that its close relationship with Hamilton College would not be affected by prohibition of alcoholic beverages at the college. This was the substance of a 37-page document presented to the college this morning by Inn representatives.

Presenting its position concisely and logically, the management "perceived that some new rules might be necessary, especially as concerns the procurement, inhalation, and/or drinking of, wines, beer, gin, whiskey or other liquid containing more than 1 per cent alcohol and less than 99 per cent alcohol by volume to any member of what is known as the 'college community' and generally is used to designate students, faculty administrative officials, assistants, alumni, members of the maintenance force, library employees and members of the families of the above mentioned, male or female nothwithstanding.

The exact nature of the "new rules" was not evident. College legal advisors were at work on the problem this afternoon. One spokesman for the barristers said an interpretation "would be forthcoming, on or about July 31, 1957."

John Henry, 5, of Pascagoula, Fla., remarked, "It seems evident to me after a brief glance at the report that the only human being who will be able to get a drink at the Inn will be an alumnae of Hamilton College." Informed sources viewed this eventually as highly unlikely.

Michael Zaccarro, long-time bartender at the Inn, said, "he wasn't going to worry about it." He added, "What will you folks have?" addressing himself to a young man with a buff and blue blazer trailing from his neck. The ends of the blazer were securely fastened around the waist of a young lady.

Upon further questioning, Mr. Zaccarro stated he had received pictures and fingerprint identification cards of members of the college community. They were to be used as coasters to cut costs, he said.

Mr. Zaccarro denied that free access to the Inn would be denied to prospective customers from the Hill. Carpenters were busy installing a double padlocked door at the Inn. The door has a peephole.

Dropping several valuable bottles, Mr. Zaccarro made public a certified copy of his letter of resignation. Extracts from the letter are printed below.

"Not insensibly and with deepest feelings of regret . . . I have felt for a long time that I needed a rest . . . A position with opportunity for rest requiring my presence three times a year . . .

No immediate comment was available from the Hamilton College Board of Trustees.

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During a coffee break at the PX the other day, we overheard two of the Hill's more prominent freshmen discussing the "fantastic new bar at the Park." Bars being of general interest to us in particular, we took the nearest opportunity to drop downtown and investigate the source of such enthusiasm.

As we parked our consseratively painted pink Mercedes-Benz we noticed that the exterior of the hotel had not changed, except for a coat of paint. Even the front steps had not been touched, for they were still as rickety as they had been in the days when hundreds of Hamilton students had flocked into town to stand before the gaint backbar mirror and drink beer at 10 cents a glass. That was when there had been no college ruling forbidding student participation in off-hill drinking.

As we entered the door (still supported by its one hinge), we were met by a very voluptuous blond, who looked as though she had been poured into an evening dress that covered her abundant physique only by the grace of the Almighty and New York State Laws. This friendly young damsel ushered us into the upstairs bar, but when we told her we were College students, she immediately whisked us into a small closet and handed us some rubber masks (the type made famous by the Brinks robbers in 1950) which represented the faces of old women. Then, since we had heard the pass word from our freshmen friends, she led us down a long circular flight of stairs and into what is called the "College Room."

The most striking thing about the room is the lighting, which comes from thousands of flashing colored lights sunk in the walls, the ceiling and the floor. The floor, by the way, is covered with padded blue leather, and the walls are covered from baseboard to ceiling with hundreds of murals depicting town and College life.

In the center of the spacious room is a huge circular bar surrounding a high stage which is used for the seven nightly floor shows. Such famous personalities as Dean Martin, Liberace, Irene, Steve Allen, Doris Day Guy Lombago, and Willie Mays have recently graced the spacious halls to help make the "Park" the entertainment hub of the state.

Around the bar, and scattered throughout the room, are approximately a hundred tables and chairs for the patrons. These are made of plastic and studded with diamonds so that the lighting will reflect an exotic atmosphere, not only in the faces, but in the souls of the people in the room.

Awed, we took a table near the door, and watched Johnny Ray twist his way through several songs. Presently, we saw a young girl dressed in a tight bathing suit weaving her way toward us across the room. When she was close enough to speak to us. she produced a large tray from behind her somewhere and asked for our order. When she had gone to fulfill our wishes we had a chance to gaze around us (now that our eyes had grown accustomed to the darkness) and we saw that the place was as our freshmen had termed it, "jumping." There were hundreds of men dressed in college garb and masks, downing one glass of beer after another. We wondered where they could get so much money to spend in so luxurius an establishment as the "Park".

When the waitress arrived with our order, and the check, we found that the beer which as always was served in large, gallon steins, cost only ten cents a glass. We were surprised.

Presently, Mr. Jameson Magoo drifted over to our table. He was a big man, with glasses. After he had squished our hands in a friendly grip, he slid into a vacant chair to talk. It was his habit to be intimate with as many of his customers as he could. We discovered that the idea of rearranging his establishment had come to him soon after the new college ruling had gone into effect, and his business had consequently fallen off. "Here," he said, "is an inexpensive place for the students to enjoy themselves as they used to, and with no more cost to them than before. Actually, I am very glad that the new rule went into effect, for it forced me to improve my business to

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SPORTSFOLIO

by Peter Dayton

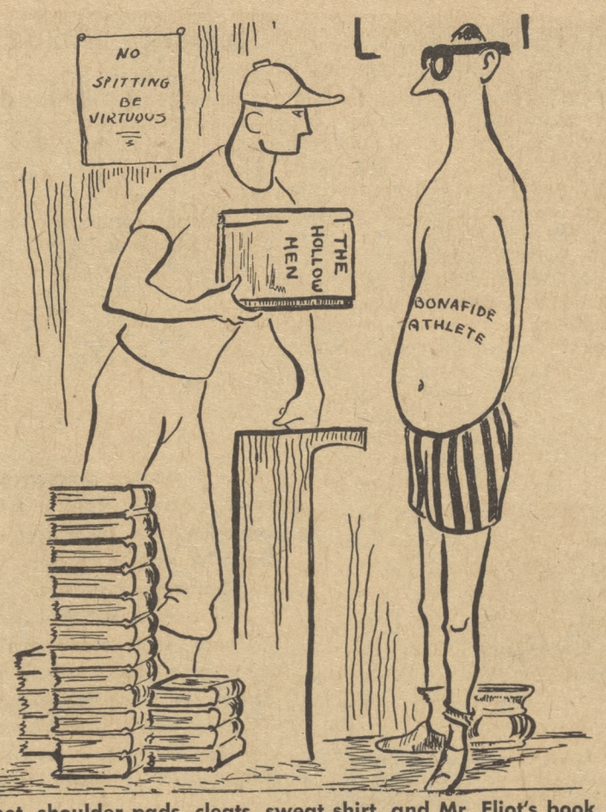
President McEwen's recent announcement of the appointment of T. S. Eliot caused every Hamilton athlete to jump for joy. The great idol of the Hill campus is finally going to join his worshippers.

Every student must wonder why such a man as Eliot has consented to come to Hamilton. It is true that he is a man who has had little athletic experience either as an administrator or a participant. However, Mr. Eliot has a new plan. He is going to run the sports program on a poetical inspiration basis. Each Hamilton athlete will be required to carry a copy of the great master's poems with him at all times, reading and digesting in every spare moment. Prior to this there was no such rule, each player carrying it as a matter of course.

Poetry is to become the basis of training for all sports, but more especially, for the major three — hockey, football, and lacrosse. There will be little body contact during practice sessions. The purpose of the poetry program is to have every player work himself into such an intellectual frenzy that each will feel vastly superior to his opponent. This, Eliot contends, will enable Hamilton teams to inflict smashing victories over opposing teams. Body contact cannot be allowed in practices because feeling of individual superiority would cause havoc on the squad.

Hamilton is becoming a major college in three sports because of one of Eliot's basic principles. Majoring in a college sport would occupy much of the time that the student ordinarily would spend in the classroom. This coincides with one of Eliot's basic principles that too much education leads to unhappiness and frustration. By reducing the student's time in the classroom, the administration is reducing the chance that a student may become unhappy or frustrated. The poetical inspiration part of the program cannot be regarded as education, since this takes place in the Gym, not in a class room. It can be regarded the same way that a skull session is in any other sport.

Rephrasing an old quote, "Eliot is with us, everything is right with the campus."



Helmet, shoulder pads, cleats, sweat shirt, and Mr. Eliot's book.

Roving Reporter Reviews Reactions Of Fivaz, Batt to Recent Revisions

Today's question: What new change in the athletic department impresses you the most?

Bill Fivaz, athlete: "I have long been an advocate of T. S. Eliot, as you no doubt know. I feel that his appointment as chief mentor of the Hamilton tutorial staff is a most propitious augery. It is indubitably a harbinger of more triumphant endeavors in Continental athletic contests."

Greg Batt, hockey coach: "The establishment of a branch college at Chien d'Oiseau is most significant. I've long felt that Canadian boys have long been deprived of an opportunity for a true liberal arts education, as well as a chance to play hockey in the true amateur spirit."

Robert W. McEwen, president: "The appointment of T. S. Eliot is a million dollars worth of *free* publicity. It also shows that we at Hamilton place athletics in their true perspective, subordinate to the finer things in life."

Mox Weber, former director of athletics: "In my new athletic program I'm going to build up athletics for the masses."

Greg Batt's Boys to Hie to Quebec; Hill Branch Set Up at Chien D'Oiseau

If Hamilton doesn't have a winning hockey season next year, it won't be because of lack of players. The President's Office announced today that a branch unit of Hamilton will be set up in Chien D'Oiseau (province of Quebec, Canada). Hailing the new unit as "the panacea for all our hockey problems," the President announced that a committee had been set up to form a satisfactory curriculum for the new branch. Messrs. Marsh, Blyth, Jones and Rudd have been commissioned to go to Chien D'Oiseau at the beginning of next term to supervise instruction of Hamilton's newly-found hockey talent.

Greg Batt, coach of the Hamilton team, discovered the town in his annual tour of eastern Canada last spring. While watching a game played in Chien D'Oiseau, Batt made the remarkable discovery that few or no hockey sticks were broken in the course of the game. Upon closer examination Batt discovered that the trees from which the sticks were made contained fluoride, a rare ingredient which is found only in one other place, a small midwestern town where there was little or no tooth decay.

Thinking to cut the expenses of the hockey team more than twofold, Batt intended to import all his hockey sticks from Chien D'Oiseau. Unfortunately, it was found that the fluoride sticks are prone to the hoof and mouth disease especially in areas where the tsetse fly is prevalent, such as Clinton. After much pressure was exerted on Batt by Hill Athletic Director Mox Weber, Batt finally consented to transfer the team to Canada, thereby taking advantage of both the unbreakable hockey sticks and the wealth of Canadian hockey talent.

Weber sees many possible problems arising from this drastic change in athletic policy. For one thing the Sage Rink would have to be abandoned since intramural hockey is being discontinued and the varsity team is being moved to Chien D'Oiseau. One solution proposed by Weber would be to continue to use the Sage Rink ice apparatus but to use it to make ice cubes for the many iced tea parties which will be held on the Hill during prohibition. Another solution, supposedly suggested by Weber would be to institute a program of year-round intercollegiate tennis. Under this program "academic risks" would be enabled to participate intercollegiately in their first semester at school.

A final suggestion was to transform the Sage Building into a kennel club and recreation hall for the dogs on the Hill. President McEwen has reported that the dog situation has become more and more of an acute problem mainly because of lack of facilities. He went on to state that the dogs tend to hang around in groups and are getting into trouble. "Hamilton is slowly becoming a hotbed for canine juvenile delinquents," he said, "and the Sage building seems to be the only logical place for them to recreate."

T.S. Eliot Accepts New Position As Hamilton Athletic Director

Noted author T. S. Eliot has accepted an offer to become the new athletic director at Hamilton College, replacing Mox A. Weber, who resigned from that post yesterday. The brief announcement, signed by President McEwen, explained the appointment of the celebrated poet and playwright as a step to carry out the administration's plan "to bring to Hamilton the sort of athletic program and policy that a school of Hamilton's nature needs in order to maintain a properly balanced relationship between athletics and scholarship."

Born in St. Louis in 1888, Mr. Eliot is most noted for his literary work, but he is also interested in athletics and especially in those of Hamilton. Although his only actual participation in sports was a year of Jay-Vee baseball in high school, Eliot has had experience in athletics as is shown by his creation of the literary character, Apeneck Sweeney, who is quite a sport.

When asked about his appointment, Mr. Eliot said, "I've been expecting it for some time and am eager to start rebuilding the now-obsolete Hamilton athletic program. I'm tired of seeing those "prickly-pear" athletes who live from game to game failing to see the overall picture and purposes of athletics." When asked concerning the implication of his name in the Long Island University basketball scandal of five years ago, he replied, "No comment."

According to President McEwen, who was elated at Eliot's acceptance of the offer, it is hoped that "an improved relationship between the undergraduate and the athletic department, and thus an improved athletic program will occur due to the parallel interests and opinions that Hamilton athletes have with Mr. Eliot."

The program as it is today will be revolutionized, and although no actual sign of radical change will appear until next September, there is every indication that Roman Hyacinths will soon be blooming on the Hill. Some of the tentative plans that Eliot is considering in conjunction with the administration concern both the inter-collegiate and physical fitness programs. "Tradition, sex and religion make the best athletic program," Mr. Eliot asserts, "and integration of these into the lives of Hamilton athletes will be the keynote."

At this writing a turn-over in the coaching department looks inevitable, also, for E. E. Cummings has already been named to replace Don Jones as head football coach. Cummings is an unorthodox strategist who emphasizes the utility of each individual on his squad. He is quoted as saying, "Don't be surprised if the team employs a "T" formation combined with the "S" formation next fall. Apollinax University used it with success last season, and I'm considering its use here."

Mr. Weber is retiring to finish his book "Birth in the Chapel," which he started some time ago. He ends a long and successful term as athletic director at Hamliton, even if his program has become outdated.

Weber Accepts Job as Intramural Athletics Director

New Games Include "Capture-the-Flag"

Former Director of Athletics Mox A. Weber has accepted a new position in the Hamilton College athletic department. Weber, always a great exponent of a strong intramural program at Hamilton, has been appointed to the position of Director of Intramural Athletics.

Weber has planned a broad new program which will give every Hamilton undergraduate a chance to participate. First on the program is a list of new games including such well-known favorites as Capture-the-Flag and Hide-and-Go-Seek.

In order to make the games fairer, no letter winners in any sport will be allowed to participate. In the new director's words the reason for this is "to induce more men into the athletic program. The best way to accomplish this is to exclude all letter winners." He goes on to say, "the success of the program depends on having the least coordinated of students participate."

Under the new program certain of the "rough" games will be necessarily dropped. Hockey and touch football, he feels, cause serious injuries, and are therefore being excluded.

All students interested in further information on the new intramural set-up are invited to attend an informal gathering in the Baker Memorial Room this Monday night where intramural problems will be discussed. Cider and doughnuts will be served.

The administration hopes that the American Association of Colleges will accredit the Chien D'Oiseau branch as soon as possible so that this year's hockey team will be able to take advantage of the fluoride sticks. The money saved as a result will go into the forming of a varsity crew with home meets in the Hamilton reservoir.

The Spectator wishes to congratulate Mr. Batt for the greatest discovery this side of the Oriskany Creek since Sam Kirkland found his cottage moved up the Hill.

Carnival...

faces West Point in the Sage building. After the game, the various houses will hold cocktail parties.

At 9 p.m. Leroy Holmes will provide the music for the all-college dance in the gymnasium. During the intermission the queen will be crowned, and the winner of the snow sculpture contest will be announced. Mrs. Wertimer and Professors Cooke and Moraud judged the sculptures this afternoon. The subject of the contest this year is "Athletics at Hamilton.' Alpha Delta Phi will defend its title of last year when it won the contest with a statue of "The Little King."

Sunday morning at noon Colin Miller, Dean of the Chapel, will serve Communion in the Chapel.

Monday Mr. Letzelter will begin to tour campus fraternities to remove bars and other alcoholic accessories.

Continentals Prep For Battles Wtih Harpur and Point

Hockey Team Out To Break Jinx

In spite of the recent drastic change in athletic policy, two important sports contests will be played this weekend by the basketball and hockey teams. Tonight in the Alumni Gym the Continentals entertain Harpur College of Endicott. A win for the Continentals in this game will insure the team their second successive winning season. In the Sage Rink tomorrow, the hockey team will meet West Point. The Cadets have taken three straight from the Blue over the past three years. Tomorrow Hamilton will be attempting to break that jinx.

Coach Ken Patrick's men are enjoying a two game winning streak after copping wins from Utica College and St. Lawrence. The contest against the Larries last Wednesday was an exciting one with neither team able to go more than six points into the lead. Led by the fine shooting of Bill Fivaz and Peter Eckel, Hamilton managed to stay in front most of the way. Fivaz threw in 21 points with 12 of them coming in a five minute span at the start of the second half. Eckel threw in 18, most of them long set shots from the outside.

The St. Lawrence attack was centered around 300 pound, 6 foot, 6 inch center, Lou Grimaldi. Grimaldi scored most of his 28 points on right-handed hook shots from just under the basket. 19 of these came in the second half.

The pucksters will be attempting to contain one of the best Army teams in recent years. The Cadets have upset such teams as Yale, Middlebury and Dartmouth, while losing to Princeton, A.I.C. and St. Lawrence 6-0. Wednesday night.

Hamilton in their last game dropped a 7-0 decision to St. Lawrence even though they forced Bill Sloan and Sarge Whittier, Larrie goalies, to make 30 saves. Hamilton pressed well throughout the game, but was unable to dent the nets. Hal Riopelle was the high scorer for the Larries, scoring twice and assisting on two others.

By not scoring in the St. Lawrence contest, center Bill Scoones broke a string of 11 straight games in which he had scored or assisted on a goal.

Both athletic teams are again active next Wednesday when the basketball team travels to Schenectady to play Union, and hockey entertains Williams in the Sage Building.

The Dean's Office reminds students to check their examination schedule. No student who forgets his exam date or who has misread the schedule will be allowed to take his examination at a later time.

Trustees Throw Fantastic Fund Elated Eliot's Way

The Trustees have just allotted $100,000 for a new addition to the Gym that will be placed on the south side of the building. The addition, according to plans drawn up by architects from Deansboro, will cover the present parking lot between the Chemistry building and the Gym.

The new wing to the Gym will include skull rooms where Mr. Eliot can hold his "inspirational lectures." Other rooms that will be built are a small library for poetry books and Mr. Eliot's sanctuary.

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Grace Kelly, Monacan Liquor Agency Fail in Bribe Attempt on Norm Lewis

Assistant Controller and Security Officer Norman Lewis charged last night in a special interview with *The Spectator* that he had been offered a bribe to induce the Board of Trustees to revoke President McEwen's recent edict prohibiting the consumption on campus of most alcoholic beverages.

Lewis, whose financial acumen has brought him into intimate contact with the influential members of the Board, asserted that the offer was made by Grace Kelly, Hollywood actress and Princess-elect of Monaco on behalf of the Alliance of Monacan Aperatif Producers. Miss Kelly is scheduled to marry Prince Ranier, the ruler of the small Mediterranean nation, this April.

Apparently unshaken by the sudden events of the past few days, Lewis appeared quite content while lounging in his plush Buttrick Hall offices last night. When severely questioned by this reporter, however, he refused to disclose the nature of the bribe which Her Serene Highness To Be offered him although he did say it was of an "infamous nature."

Lewis also stated that he was not so much upset at being offered a bribe as he was by Miss Kelly's entanglement in the affair. Lewis disclosed that he had been a great admirer of the Philadelphia socialite-actress ever since he saw her performance in *The Bridges of Toko-ri.*

His interest in Miss Kelly's career had even developed into his considering accepting an offer to head the Kirkland Committee to Keep Our Grace from Marrying that Man. He was forced to decline the honor because of the press of business and College administrative problems.

Lewis stated that he had been approached by Miss Kelly at his Clinton home, and that, after recovering from the initial shock, he had lectured her on the virtues of the American "way of life" which she apparently took to heart.

Noted for his verbal gymnastics and dynamic speaking prowess, Lewis hinted that he had convinced Miss Kelly of the impropriety" of her mission on behalf of the Monacan Aperatif roducers and concluded that "she's really a good girl after all, despite her corruption by those foreigners."

Local WCTU . . .

had been the most effective element in the WCTU campaign to stop drinking at Hamilton College, Mrs. Teetotaller exhibited a glass of water which she said was taken from the college reservoir, and pointed to a group of men and women, who she continued, "had infiltrated the institution and by subversion diluted all alcoholic drinks, creating a distasteful concoction." She refused further comment on this point.

Official sources said that Oneida County WCTU was planning a monster rally of their forces Sunday afternoon at the college reservoir. When questioned as to the purpose of the rally, Mrs. Teetotaller smiled and replied "Mum's the word.' Members were asked to bring their own refreshments.

Since the prohibition announcement, area residents have reported the presence of several tank trucks and moving vans near Root Glen. Law enforcement officers say the vans were being unloaded by college students. They further report that "queer shaped pieces of metal and big wooden barrels" have been found along the banks of Oriskany Creek. Federal officials, with the aid of local prohibitionists are investigating.

Several inflamed "drys" greeted their president's message with cries of "down with demon rum" and offered glasses filled with a brown liquid to newsmen at the meeting.

Today's gathering ended when the president was hoisted in the air by fellow WCTU members and several toasts were drunk to the singing of "For She's a Jolly Good Fellow." This was the first meeting of the Top of the Hill WCTU since Dec. 5, 1933.

Battle Between Marine Monsters Featured Saturday

One of the featured events of this Winter Carnival will be a battle between a giant alligator and an over-sized squid. The event will take place in the swimming pool on Saturday afternoon at 3:30.

The alligator is the property of Mr. Samuel Sade, now known as "fourfingers Sade" of the class of 1956. The man-eating beast named Abushag is presently quartered in a third floor shower stall of North Dormitory.

The squid arrived in Utica today from New York City, after a long tow trip up the Erie Barge Canal. It belongs to the acquarium of the Bronx Zoo and is currently travelling about the Eastern United States on a lecture tour.

Saturday's contest at Hamilton is being sponsored by the biology department in the interests of furthering the "development of natural history on the Hill." Professor Walter N. Hess and two pre-medical students will judge the event.

Unofficial odds quoted around the quad indicate that the squid is the heavy favorite among the Hamilton gambling set.

Former Hamilton Winter Carnival Queen states, "I prefer Hamilton's houseparties to any others because they are so mild."

SCA to Sponsor Anti-Inebriation Films in Root Hall

The Student Christian Association will sponsor a series of films beginning Sunday afternoon concerning the evils of drink. The new series, in line with the announcement of prohibition by the Board of Trustees will include such timely films as *You, too, Cam Become a Useful Member of Society, Rats in the Beer Vats and I was a Drunk for the WCTU.* The films will be shown in the downstairs Root Hall offices of the student linen service, and SCA officials have announced that admission will be free.

Really outdoing themselves in their crusade against drink, the organization is also sponsoring a mammoth anti-inebriation rally in the Baker Memorial Room Monday night. Cider and doughnuts will be served, and such noted secular leaders as Norman Vincent Peale, "Prophet" Jones, and Oral Roberts will join in the festivities. The SCA has extended invitations to the Newman Club, the Anglican Society and all other Hill organizations to join in the merry-making.

After the meeting Dr. Peale will interview prospective applicants for ghost-writing his widely-syndicated column, "Dr. Peale Answer Your Questions". The S.C.A. has also chalked up another first by securing the services of Dr. Paul Dudley White, noted heart specialist, who will be on the Hill Monday to give a complete analysis of the contents of various alcoholic beverages and their effect on the human heart.

New Rules...

donwtown and buy him his entire quota of beer for this week! "It seems to us," he told this reporter, as he frothed at the mouth with foamy Utica Club, "that this new ruling will improve the general attitude of the average student on the Hill for now he will learn the meaning of a good beer. And perhaps there will be far less drunkeness than there has been in the past — provided, of course, that the administration is able to enforce the rule." When asked if the members of Nous Onze felt that the students would tend to neglect the rule, he said: "Oh, no, of course not intentionally, but after all, there is the fallibility of human nature to contend with, and besides, the average student at Hamilton is a bit immature to be left to his own devices without adult guidance.

It was reported that the members of Nous Onze behaved themselves as gentlemen of the College should.

Student Speaker . .

that he has duped the athletic department into passing him in physical education by posing in a rented Block H sweater.

Perhaps the most plausible explanation of the resignation was that Connor wanted to either give a talk in Latin on "The Meaninglessness of a Hamilton Education" or say nothing at all. The Administration refused to let him do this. "Nobody would understand it" they were reported to have said.

Connor is a member of the Block Eta Club.

The Promoter, praised as one of J. Arthur Rank's funniest comedies, will be presented by the SCA next Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings.

This movie, which stars Alec Guiness, was voted the film most Hamilton students would like to see in a poll taken by the SCA last year. It will be shown in the Chemistry Auditorium. Admission is 40 cents.

Park Hotel...

such a degree that Utica will soon become the hub of the entertainment world." Mr. Magoo's attitude is typical, we discovered, of all the business men in the Clinton-Utica area. This attitude manifests itself in a credo which shows most explicitly in the appearance of the Park Hotel.

Eventually, we paid our bill and left, marveling at the freedom which we had seen and the joy that the patrons had exhibited. We went home happy in the knowledge that the students would not be found out, for who would think that behind these innocent faces of little old ladies, lurked the minds of beer-contaminated Hamilton undergraduates?

Harlequin...

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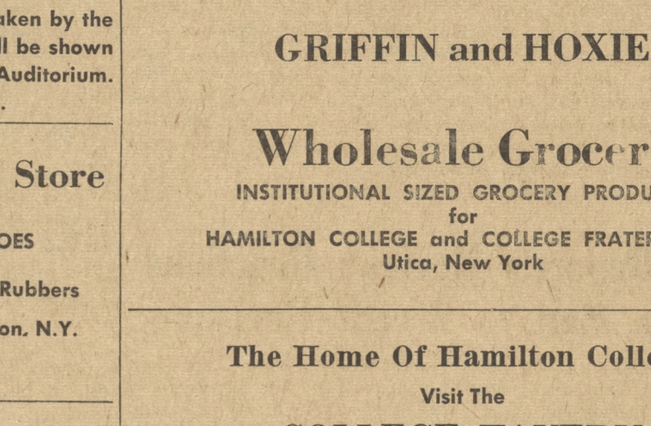

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